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RESEARCH WORK ON DENGUE& CHIKUNGUNYA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified certain medical institutes in the country for carrying out research work dengue and chikungunya;

(b) if so, the names of the States where research centres are being set up;

(c) the time by which research work is likely to started by the said institutes;

(d) whether it is proposed to develop vaccines for such diseases; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) to (c): The following ICMR institutes have been identified for carrying out research on vector borne diseases including dengue and chikungunya:

1. National Institute of Virology, Pune.
2. Centre for Research in Medical Entomology, Madurai (CRME).
3. National Institute of Malaria Research, Delhi.
4. Vector Control Research Centre, Pondicherry.
5. Regional Medical Research Centre, Dibrugarh,
6. Regional Medical Research Centre, Bhubaneswar.
7 Regional Medical Research Centre, Jabalpur.

The National Institute of Virology, Pune and Centre for Research in Medical Entomology, Madurai are already conducting research on epidemiological and entomological aspects of dengue and chikungunya.

(d) & (e): Currently there is no proposal to develop vaccine against dengue and chikungunya.